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WEATHER.

Wasseington, Oct. 29.-For lower Michigan-General fair, west winds.

STARVING PREE TRADERS.

One cannot read the gra, his recital of present and impending want and starvation in London without a shudder. The picture is one calculated to chill to the marrow those in this country who are blessed with a prospective future of pleuty. The scenza of misery in the metropolis of England are appaining. There seems to be no way of escape from a winter of starvation, misery and death. Able bodied men are vamly seeking employment at wages so low that a weekly stipend would be less than a day's wages of an American laborer. The pallid faces of But the pertinent inquiry is: How half starved women baunt the streets in quest of bread to furnish nourishment for the crying and emactated number of pension bills vetoed by all babes that he swatned in wretched rage beside fireless stoves and amid Abraham Lincoln: Lincoln, 1; Johnequalor and filth.

Bark and frowning poverty stalks in every street and alley. No ray of hope land, \$24. Five hundred and twentyfor better times illumines the cheerless four union veterans denied their penevery stirring breeze, and the London decided them worthy of pensions! fog settles upon the starving thousands like the pall of everlasting night. This is the picture that our free trade friends invite us to contemplate. They point to the glorious advantages first Discoverer of this Continent?" that are secured to them that live in a Modern historical research has thrown country where no McKinley bill blocks the channels of trade and restricts the discoveries upon this continent, and markets. They say to us break down this Chinese wall of protection and give us free commercial intercourse with the world. It is not patriotic to answer: If England with her markets open to the competition of every clime, race and nationality is in the dark shadow of industrial paralysis, her factories to the landing of Columbus, Prince dismantled and her working people Madoc, a Welshman, planted a small standing in the presence of actual starvation, then rear this Chinese wall still 1176. Nearly two centuries before him higher and broaden its ramparts by a came Lief Eriksen, in whose honor the

the prosperity that blesses our own fair. happy and contented homes. Nor will We are told that as many as 500 they go to the polis November 8 and years before Eriksen came, this contideath.

UNIQUE ANANIAS.

mule. He subscribes to so many politfeal heresies, and is such an unprincipled, alert political acrobat that greated lightning under full pay can pear that the credit claimed for Col not keep track of his whereshouts. His that my the main is honest and will be east where labor's best interests apparently lie. The methods of this guadrangular fe low, in virtually letting the vast interests of the state in its ations go by default, is not likely to commend tum to this class of voters.

DISLOTAL AND TREASUREROUS.

When Grover Cleveland was elected to the presidency eight years ago, he was confronted by a republican senate that prevented the enforcement or enactment of democratic free trade laws. During his administration that repubhean senate stood as a bulwark against the spaces of the Mills bill, which passed the democratic house in 1387 by a wate of 182 to 149. Il Grover Clevehand shall again be elected, and the house of representatives shall continue to be democratic, the only hope the republicans can have that the Mo. Kinley bill will remain undisturbed is in retaining a republican majority in the United States meate.

During the coming winter five states will elect United States senators. among the number being Michigan. At present the senate stands 47 repub-Leans, 32 domocrats, 3 jarmars' alliance. The actual republican majority In the senate is five votes. If these of the five states to choose senators this Edward Cabill of Lansing, under the w more shall elect democrate the sonate will pass from the control of the republicans and the protective tant wall question. Judge Cabill is one of the be swapt away. The gravity of the prospect must force itself upon the solemn attention of every republican

The logislature of Michigan is of its finitely greater importance than any other spliners in this eampaign except the presidency, if sot indeed, greater than that, If New York shall sicet a supreme court. The Hon. Thomas demogratic legislature under its partisan gerrymenter, and Wortana shall expaine. 'A Protective Tariff, Encon- tailroad employe running through that do likewise, the political future of the shintingal," sudeavors to justify the United States senate will depend been We recreation of Munique. The de. form. Mr. Barnworth is one of Jack-Biourace of this cam has equipment and anicuminal lawyers, was a mornibar with the peoples party in every legia, of the last legislature, and is now a fative district where there is a lighting candidate for re-election. He is an chance in win. In this city the torse minimipromising democrat. This discuss company has been effected,

elector and conscientious protections.

both lickets. A determined effort is being made to elect them, and despite the fact that the inree republican candidates are men of unquestioned integrity and unswerving devotion to the principles of protection the Grand Hapuls Hagle, a mocking political hypocrite, has not ventured to say a word in behalf of their election, but like a cowardly sneak secretly conspires to aid in the election of At S. White, one of the unscrupulous squawbacks that disgraced the state by passing the Miner bill, the apportionment bill and other niquitous partisan measures.

Can this policy of the Eagle be con strued as loyal to the republican party? Is it not the rankest kind of treachery, cowardice and despicable hypocrisy No interest of the republican party is today paramount to the election of a republican legislature for the state of Michigan, and yet this pharisaical, dishonest and dishonorable sheet, arrogating to itself a virtue it has not, and never had, seeks by silence on one hand and outspoken praise on the other to assist in the election of a democrat to the legislature.

GROVER'S VETOES.

Persons or newspapers that ask union veterans to vote for candidate Morse must logically ask them to support Grover Cleveland. They stand for the same principles. A great deal has been said and written about Mr. Cleveland's have said that their candidate for president bears no ill-will against those who fought to preserve the union, and that he approved as many pension bills as any of his republican predecessors. many pension bills did he veto? Here are some interesting figures giving the the presidents, including and since son, 21; Grant (two terms), 25; Hayes, 13; Garfield, 0; Arthur, 4, and Cleve-

AMERICA GOOD ENOUGH.

Many of the newspapers of the country, especially in Chicago, are vigorously discussing the subject "Who was the considerable new light upon the early while the honor by custom is universally ascribed to the Spanish agent of the real discovery goes begging. There appears to be little doubt but that America was visited by curious and daring navigators a long time previous colony on the northern continent in Norwegians and Scandinavians of Chi-

vote to transform America into an nent was visited from Asia by the budasylum of distress, destruction and dhist ifoei-Shin, and that also the Chinese camped on the shores of the Pacific even before Hoei-Shin and his Quadrangular Ellis, the unique retinue staked a claim to the great unpersonality who endorses several na- explored wilderness. As everybody tional platforms and is the candidate knows, this hemisphere took its name of the democratic and so-called peo- from America Vespucci, the Florenple's party for attorney general, has tine, who touched its verdant shores in more gall and cheek to the square inch | 1197. It is also known that the Cabots, than the average veteran government John and Sebastian, ante-dated Vespucci by one year, coasting along and landing at various places on the northern continent in 1496. So it would apumbus is due to another, and that in last break is for the labor vote, a vote taking the name America no injustice was done to the hero of the recent great demonstration held on the world's fair grounds.

With this additional data at hand it is proper to withdraw the suggestion suits against powerful railroad corpor. that America be rechristened. If Columbus has a claim so have his prodecessors Madoe, Eriksen, Shin and the of the woman that doesn't own a pair. Cabota. America is a name that has come to be cherished by every citizen and so long as there is such a confusion as to the true discoverer, America will continue to be the name of this blessed country. There are so many hallowed and patriotic associations connected with the name that most persons would regret to part with it. Yet if a change shall ever be made the name should be in honor of the true discoverer, when his identity is satisfactorily discovered.

> CONSTITUTIONAL OR NOT November's Michigan Law Journa will be issued from the press the first part of next week. The princapal feature of this number will be a discussion of the constitutionality of protection, the spreation being, "Has the Federal government the constitunonal power to levy duties on imports except for the purpose of revenue only?" the words of the tariff plank of the democratic platform. The Hop. caption, "A Protective Tariff, constitutional," takes the affirmative of this most distinguished juriets in the state. He was Judge Hooker's most powerful competitor for the nomination for matice of the supreme court at the republican inficial convention held in members of secret organizations. The the city, is president of the Michigan State Bar association, and is better known probably as an ex-justice of the E. Backworth of Jackson under the

tariff plack of the democratic plat-

candidates for the house are named in son will make interesting reading. DONE FOR THE LORD and its presentation does credit to the enterprise of the Michigan Law Jour-

> "The American Mutuum" is the title of an article by Professor J. C. Knowiton, dean of the law department of the university. It is needless to state that it is a scholarly production. The case of Pierce vs. Jackson & Co., Michigan supreme court, is given in full with a note. The case is one involving the constitutionality of the statute regulating attachment before debt due, and is of considerable value and interest to merchants and business men generally. The regular departments of the Journal are filled with interesting matter.

\$100 to suppress a political item in the "holier-than-thou" Eagle, how much will it cost a republican candidate for to support him as against At. S. White? port of its party's candidates in 1888, how many promises of office has it extorted for like service in 1892?

ly the Rev. P. H. Williams thought he could lead the colored men of this city to bolt the republican ticket, he was much mistaken, as will be seen by Mr. Wilson's communication in another column. The colored men know that pension record. Democratic organs the republican party is their friend, and it will take something stronger than one man's influence to destroy their faith in the party that emanci-

> Now that the Eagle and the Press have struck a common level the circulation of the Chicago Sunday Sun and the Police Gazette will be greatly enlarged. The pure literature and chaste English of these last named sheets will be a welcome relief from the vile and nauseating billingsgate of the two first named great family (?) journals.

DETROIT has been making frantic fraure. There is woe and poverty in sons, after both house and senate had strides to reach the 300,000 population mark: but the Tribune is making most emphatic kicks over the last batch of newly arrived citizens. The fact that they are colonists brought there to vote may have something to do with the Tribune's tired feeling.

ONE of the ludicrous features of the campaign is the unanimity with which the aforetime Guttersnipe and the Dust-Arrester agree that THE HERALD should be wiped from the face of the Ferdinaud and leabelia, the honor for earth because it has won the confidence and respect of the people.

> Eveny well to do citizen in Grand Rapids should take pride in assisting the committees appointed last night to make the Thanksgiving donations to the worthy poor, the grandest charity of the kind ever attempted in the city.

Another boy has yielded up his life for the privilege of jumping on electric While this picture of London misery cago held a festival last Friday and cars. The city authorities should take is before the eyes of American labor- completed arrangements for purchas- active measures to stop the practice, ers, their vision will not be obscured to ing a statue of him for the world's and severe penalties should be inflicted upon every offender.

> EVERY manufacturer and merchant in Grand Rapids should make it a point to close his place of business for at least half a day November 8 and give his employes a fair opportunity to

GOTHAM has a preacher who paid \$155 in fines because he didn't know a robin was a song bird. This man must be a brother to the missionary who doubted that Africa had cannibal tribes.

REPUBLICANS of this city are invited to call at the headquarters of the county committee. Business of importance to themselves and the party will be submitted to them.

Henry George says Cleveland is leading his party to absolute free trade. This will be refreshing news to the mugwump voters of the democratic

GREEN stockings are the latest addition to the feminine wardrobe. They are designed to match the complexion

ADLAI's letter of acceptance is a missing link. Possibly be remembers that Lincoln accepted in ten lines, and street. Adlai-well, he san't the soul of wit.

ANTHONY CONSTOCK says the vilest literature published in America comes from Chicago. Hasn't Anthony seen The Eagle or the Morning Press?

REGISTER OF YOU CAN't Vote. Remem-

ber ill If you wish to be temporarily disfranchised, neglect to register. versity Extension societies to give an

anti-turning-off-the-gas course. Ir will be a cheerless, unprofitable

game for Chicago sports if Eddie Wates comes to the world's fair. THAT stampeds of colored voters has

narrowed down to one man. DEMOCRACY means well, but "the fig-

gers are agin em."

Peter Panowicz led Mary Waite of Alpena astrav. Pete, after his arrest, said he'd make Mary his wife, but the ceremony didn't dare to take piace in conditions. Finally Pete gave Mary \$250 and she called things square.

One Jaction of the United Brothren church of Caladonia voted to admit other faction does not want them. The courts will decide which faction is enstled to the posession of the church. P. J. Somes, a G. R. & I. conductor. was voted a miver plated lantern by Avilla people salesing the most popular

The Otengo Union passes jute that hands of several Eston Rapids men. R. C. Malmay, late of the Yabs Demoerat, will be general manager. A non-mintatum of the ishpeming

Gas and Electric Light company, and the Intipencing Negations Electric Boas

Yesterday's Reports at the Missionary Meeting.

GREETINGS FROM CHURCHES

Other Denominations of the City Extend the Hand of Fellowship-List

of the Guests.

Mrs. Ocumpaugh of Rochester, N. Y., conducted devotional exercises at he session of the Woman's Home Missionary society. The minutes were read and the reports of conference secretaries were listened to. There were re-Ir it costs a democratic candidate ports from Mrs. Mary A. C. Ross of Los Angeles, Cal., for Northern California; Mrs. E. E. Marcy of Evanston, III., for Rock River; and from Mrs. the legislature to here the venal sheet L. E. Prentiss of Chattanooga, Tenn., for Holston. Greetings were received Or, if the same despicable plunderer from Mrs. C. W. Blickley of Philadelextorted \$2,800 as the price of its sup- phia. Mrs. Thomas May Pierce read the report for Mrs. M. J. Schover of l'ittsburg in the absence of that lady. Mrs. I. D. Jones presented the report for the Cincinnati conference, stating that the women of that conference had raised \$5,700 in cash and \$8,000 in pledges during the year, making an increase of \$2,300. Mrs. Jones also stated that the Walnut Hills young women's auxiliary was the largest in existence These remarks brought applause and when it had subsided a delegate rose and claimed the largest auxiliary Akron, O. When it came to counting noses, however, the New England southern conference knocked them all out with an auxiliary numbering 254 members.

> Fraternal delegates from the Presbyterian and Congregational churches representing the missionary societies of those denominations. Mrs. A. S. Good-man stated on behalf of the Presbyerian church that \$1,098,587 was raised for home missionary purposes during the year, one-third of the sum having

Fraternal Greetings.

been raised by the women. Mrs. S. L. Withey spoke eloquently of the work done by the Congregational missionary societies, and Mrs. Renwick presented the greetings of the Baptist churches. Mrs. E. D. Albright of Delaware responded briefly on behalf of the convention, dwelling at length on the olessed bond of christian union which is fast gathering all the churches in the

bonds of christian love.

The committee on thank offering day submitted a report recommending that the Thursday preceding Thanksgiving be observed generally as a

thank-offering day by the auxiliaries. After the appointing of various com mittees to meet during the afternoon, the session closed for the day, the benediction being pronounced by the

Rev. Dr. Dolby.

Many of the members will officiate at the different city churches today, while some have gone to the surround-ing towns to officiate at the Methodist

AMONG THE GUESTS.

A List of the Persons Entertaining Officers of the Society. The officers of the society are located

is follows during the convention: Dr. and Mrs. I. N. Dolby of Washngton, D. C., are in attendance at the

convention. They are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. More. Dr. Dolby is ndent Haves Memorial Deaconess home.

Mrs. John Davis, president, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. R. S. Rust are at the Warwick. Mrs. A. R. Clark, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk

and Mrs. E. H. Gammon are at the Mrs. M. E. Griffith, general organizer, is at Mrs. Dr. Buchanan's.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken and Mrs. M. Hagans are at the Rev. A. M. Gould's. Mrs. W. M. Ampt and Mrs. W. C. Herron are at Mrs. Fred Shriver, 3, No. Lagrave street.

Mrs. R. W. P. Goff and Miss Elizabeth Smith superintendent Desconess' home at Buffalo, are the guests of Mrs. J. C. Rickenbaugh, No. 208 Crescent avenue Mrs. I. D. Jones and Mrs. George H. Thompson are at Mrs. Nelson Reming-

ton's, No. 221 Cherry street. Mrs. Colonel Springer is the guest of Mrs. F. A. Hall, No. 27 James street. Mrs. VanVradenburg, superintendent of the Deaconess' burg, is the guest of Mrs. George C. Whitworth, No. 311 Crescent svenue. Mrs. Clara L. Roach, corresponding secretary, is the guest of Mrs. Farling

No. 47 Cost avenue. Mrs. W. A. Brownell is the guest of of Mrs. W. H. Loomis, No. 15 Thomas street. Mrs. W. G. Williams is the guest of

Mrs. Charles Berkey, No. 133 Hastings Mrs. T. I. Tomkinson is the guest of Mrs. W. R. Fox, No. 201 Scribner

Notes From the Convention

The anniversary of the society will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Division street M. E. church and the Rev. A. M. Gould will have charge of the devotional exercises. Mrs. John Davis, the president of the society will give an address and an address will also be given by Mrs. Jane Bancroft

Miss Susia Lowell of Minneapolis Ir might be a good idea for the Uni- at the Division street M. E. church this evening.

Tuesday is Deaconess' day and Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson of Detroit will have charge of the day. H. Potts D. D., editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate will be one of the speakers. Several deaconceses will be n attendance.

South End Literary.

The committee in charge of enterfor the South End Literary yesterday afternoon. It was "Columbus Day. memory of Mrs. Harrison, "The Star od Bannet" was song as a duet and the club joined in the chorus. "Columbus and His Trais" was an article furnishing in detail the difficultres and obstantes which the great discoverer encountered and finally over A plane number was followed by Talio age's discourse on Columbus' discovery. A letter was read from a former member, giving an account Columbias week in New York City. The rail was last stuffy decreated with flags.

Beath of Charles P. Hamilton. Charles P. Hamilton, who has been sink foir the past two months died Satorday morning at 10:00. He loaves a wife and likter about 4 months old besides an aged number. He was a memhas of Imperationing No. 427, L.O. O. F. woller whose ampoins he will be The funeral will be held this afternoon from his late residence No. at I o'clock from the Wealthy Avenue; my ambrella."

Baptist church. A short service will after which the Odd Fellows will take charge. The interment will be in the Odd Fellows lot in the Valley City cometery.

CONDITION OF BUILDINGS.

How Work on the New School House Buildings Is Progressing.

The committee on schools of the board of education held a session last night and discussed the condition of the buildings in course of construction. Hall street building has been accepted by the committee and school will begin there one week from tomorrow. The seats are still to be put in place and then the building will be ready for ousiness. The Jefferson avenue sch and the Sibley street schools will not be ready for occupancy for some time as there is no particular demand on them. The Wildicomb street building is nearly completed and will probably be ready for business in two weeks. The woodwork is completed and has only to be varnished and the registers of the heating apparatus set in place. Wealthy avenue school is progressing well and will be completed in three or four weeks. In the other buildings the plasterers are at work and the buildings are progressing fairly well. The high school is moving forward not so rapidly as might be wished, but will be utive committee to take care of the ready the first of the year. A portion of the floors are laid. The glass is set and the building begins to assume the look of completeness.

PRIZES AWARDED.

A Large Attendance at the A. O. H. Bazaar Last Night.

Last night was the closing night the A. O. H. bazaar and the largest crowd of the week was present and a large sum of money found its way into

the tight box.

The Star clothing house won the gold headed cane for being the most popular clothing house, the vote standing as follows: Star, 148; Strahan & Greulich, 146; Bodenstein Bros., 115; Tower, 105; Grant, 105, G. Waltz won the gold watch offered to the most popular butcher, the vote standing: Waltz, 470; Western Beef company, 295; Van Every, 4; Fred Regier, 1.

Other prize winners are as follows: Hattie Deverent, ticket No. 56, Chiese picture; J. McGurness, ticket No. 173, chamber set; M. Slattery, ticket No. 65, manicure set; Mrs. Docstater, icket No. 45, \$50 sideboard; Ettie Kely, ticket No. 93, birdseye maple table; Frank Foyne, ticket No. 87, picture; Sertha Cary, ticket No. 30, picture; Frank W. Hine, ticket No. 52, \$40 chef-

The other articles cannot be awarded until the books are all in, which will be tomorrow or Tuesday.

WILL SING THE GONDOLIERS. The St. Cecilias to Present the Opera in January.

The coming musical event, in which most of the leading talent in the city is interested, will be the presentation of "The Gondoliers" in Powers' opera house the first of January. The Cecilia society is to receive the benefit and Mrs. Andrew Fyfe's ten are the promoters of the matter. Owing to Mrs. Fyfe's proposed sojourn in California this winter Mrs. Will Gay will fill her place. Prof. Ora Pearson, whose ability in this direction is well known and appreciated, has been selected as director. There will be six-teen soloists and a chorus of about are being made for rehearsals and the soloists have been partially selected. It is proposed to make the affair the best local musical treat of the season. pains in the selection of singers and in drilling will be spared to make it a musical treat for the most cultured ears. The proceeds will go into the building fund of the St. Cecilia society.

WILL RECEIVE 87 1-2 CENTS. That Is the Amount Allowed to the Unsecured Peters Creditors.

At the conference of the creditors of R. G. Peters & Co. and Receiver Henry vesterday it was decided to dispose of the blanket trust mortgages at 60 cents on the dollar, and those creditors who were secured by the mortgage will receive 274 cents on the dollar for their unsecured claims, bringing the sum which they will realize up to 874 cents. Those creditors who were secured by R. G. Peters & Co.'s paper will get the full amount of their claims. The compromise is satisfactory to all concerned and the Grand Rapids creditors will

realize about \$100,000. Held a Secret Meeting.

The city and county committees of the people's party held a session last evening behind locked door. No one but members of the committees, candefates on the tickets and "known people's party" men were admitted. John Burrows, W. F. Tes, Jacob Tazalaar, J. Riley Dennison, Professor Carty, "Wally" Watson and a few others were present. It was decided to have a grand mass meeting during the next week, and if General Weaver couldn't be present, to get Ellis to do his lightning change act, but it was hoped that General Weaver would come. A committee was appointed to make arrangements and to see Ellis The committee will meet this afternoon in the county headquarters. "collection" was taken to raise funds to carry on the campaign.

Latest Triumph in Horology. Recently a clever person in St. Peters

burg arranged and placed on exhibition a clock with a phonograph attached that will repeat at any hour set, according to the possessor's desire, such orders or announcements as may be committed to it. This is a boon to the tired housemother. It would be well that in the nursery the solemn timepiece could be made to say: "Children, it is time to get up; dress quickly and do not In the kitchen at an early hour it should be ready with; Breakfast at eight sharp, Mary: don't forget;" and in the breakfast room: "You must start in ten minutes or you will lose your train." The dial of this clock of the future is we are wid a human face, from whose ancentry month comes the annummement of the hours as well as any directions that may be left with it. The Iron Buke's Thrift.

The here of Waterloo, the Iron Duke,

was in some ways as plain and frugal a man when in the field as our own tien. Grant. An antograph note from the duke, recently made public in England. shows his curefulness to small things: "Put up, the rout, waistooni, trousers and boots that I have pulled off," he writing to his parter, "and give them to the beaver. Let him bring them in . sowel, which he will take back with the 197 M. Vermon street of a cinck, and things I now have on. One him also

WILL AID THE POOR

The Citizens' Meeting Held in the Morton

APPOINTS SUB-COMMITTEES

And Will Begin the Work Immediately. C. W. Chauncey Chosen Temporary Chairman of the Committee,

The Owashtanong club has passed away, but the example it set in charitable work at Thankegiving time will remain in this city always. During the life of the club it was the yearly custom to choose committees, elect officers and systematically collected from those able to help the needy of this city such quantities of clothing, food, money or fuel as could be had and on Thanksgiving day distribute it to the worthy poor. It was the custom of the club members to do this and the work was so fascinating to some of the boys that they propose to keep slive the fire of charity in the breast of the citizens. A short time ago a committee of 100 was appointed to act as a general exec-

poor on this coming Thanksgiving Last night that committee was called to meet in the Morton house to organize and begin the work. There were not many present at the meeting, but it has been the history of the movement from its inception that a few have been forced to take the lead in this charitable work, though there are hundreds who will aid whenever the work is organized. Mayor Stuart called the committee to order last night, and was chosen temporary chairman. suggested that C. W. Chancey, who was the prime mover in the matter, explain how the work had been done. Chancey said it had been customary to select a president, two or three secre-taries, a treasurer and a working executive committee of five or six members. After organizing sub-committees had been appointed to do the other work, committees should be appointed to solicit furniture, to solicit groceries, to solicit fuel, to solicit money, to soli cit teams to collect and to deliver goods, a committee on printing, a committee to obtain the names of worthy persons, and many more com-mittees. He had a list of the old committees and copies of the circulars of instructions to the committees. On motion of D. M. Amberg, Mr. Chauncey was elected permanent chairman of the committee of 100. H. E. Walbridge was chosen temporary secretary of the meeting. An executive committee, with Mr. Chauncey as chairman, was selected as follows: Edward M. Barnard, A. J. Bowne, Mayor Stuart, Arthur S. White and D. M. Amberg. The committee then elected D M. Amberg treasurer. Col. Aldrich moved to give the executive committee of five members all the powers of the committee of 100, so that would relieve the large committee of attending to unimportant details. The motion car ried. The meeting of the hundred then adjourned, and the executive committee held a brief session. It was decided to meet soon and appoint the secretaries and the sub-committees.





BEFORE ENTERING THE CAR I TOOK THEM



BUT I SOON DISCOVERED MY MISTAKE.

-Truth JOHNNIE'S REVENGE.

Paying Up a Score of Wrongs Against the Preacher.

"I always take particular pains to secure the good will of small boys," said a traveler as he settled back in a Luclede rotunda chair for a seance with a new meerschaum which he is coloring, says the St. Louis Globe Democrat. "The small boy is a thorn in the side of those he dislikes, a three-cornered pebble in the patent-leather of his en-

emy. When twelve years old I lived about fifteen miles from Peoria, Ill., and our next neighbor was a pedantic old preacher, who mistook gall for godliness. He was always peaching on me and getting me licked. I resolved to There was to be a big play even. Foruth of July celebration in Peoria, and the preacher and his family were going. They would start before daylight, as the weather was hot. He always drove an old white ping, whose

ribs might be counted at half a mile. "The day before the Fourth I corralled the old crow-balt. The painters had been at work on our house and the carriage-house was well-stocked with colors. I ran him in there and went to work on him. I painted his ribs red. his spine blue and fleeked it with stars I gave him yellow legs, green ears, and painted spectacles on him. I kept him confined until after dark and then

drove him home. "Well, sir, the preacher's old carroall reached the heart of Peoria just before sump. Everybody was astir. Trumsands of people gathered around that circus pareaut and laughed till that They do say that the presched swore. He turned around and drove borne, the entire population following him to the city limits. He cushed over to our house in a towering race, but Johnnie had gone for a drummer boy and was beyond the reach of his ire."

THE CHRISTIAN ERA.

Now This Resir of Reckneing Time Was Brought tota General Can.

The early Christians did not use the method of recloning time now generally employed, but each methods as were common at the time when they lived and in the countries of which they were entires. Roman Christians mad the Roman method, Greek Christians the Olympiads, Jawish Christians the Jaw. ish calcular. The Christian era us dissimplifies from all these, was first era plored A. D. 827 by Diografes Reignos. ears the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, a monk of Southia and abbut of a monpatery situated in the valley of the Danube. The use of the Christian era I was met out.

began in Italy about the beginning of the seventh century, about 650 spread into France, and became general there in the eighth. A document dated Anno Domini 680, and purporting to have been written in England, is extant, but the use of the era was not general on the island till the beginning of the eighth century. In 1816 the council of Chelsea ordained that bishops and other ecclesiasties should date doonments according to the Christian era. In Spain, owing to the presence and power of the Moors, the Christian ora did not pass into general use until about 1856, and in Portugal it was not adopted till 1415. In the eastern empire and Greece it was not generally employed till after the fall of Constantinople in 1453, when hatred of the Turks impelled all Christians to use their own method in preference to that of the Moslems.

A SORRY PREDICAMENT.

The Great Naturalist and His Box of Egyptian Firms.

A naturalist who is both ardent and student in his branch of science and absent-minded to a degree which keeps his family on the alert, recently eclebrated his eliver wedding. Many guests were invited for the occasion and the house was made ready for the reception of the company. Just as the first guest arrived, says the Detroit Free Press, one of the daughters was sent to summon the father who had not come from his study. Care had to be taken that he should be reminded to dress in time, so he was all ready and at the summons of

the daughter he came to the parlor. When they reached the room the daughter noticed that her father carried in his hand a small wooden box. and as he shock hands with the nearest guest she saw him drop it. The cover rolled off, but she gave a sigh of relief when she saw that the box was apparently empty.

The naturalist, however, uttered a ery of dismay, and instantly went down. on his hands and knees in an attempt to gather up something. "Have you spilled anything, father?"

she asked. "Spilled anything!" he echoed, in evident indignation at her caim tone. have lost fifty fleas that I have just received from Egypt!"

The effect of this intelligence on the family was nothing in comparison to the effect the catastrophe had upon the company before the evening was over, and the only thing that the naturalist said to his friends in answer to their congratulations open his happy married life, so his daughters declared after all was over, was to ask that if they carried away any of his Egyptian fleas they would return the insects to

CONGRESS OF DEAF MUTES

An Animated Discussion Carried on by Those Dumb and Without Fare. Describing the congress of deaf mutes in Hanover-a congress at which 'no president's bell opened the sittings, no animated debates excited the hearers and deep silence reigned throughout" -the Berlin correspondent of the London News says it was the first congress of the deaf and dumb held in Germany, and discussion was carried on and resc lutions passed in the language of the One of the "speakers" stated tont there were about ninety thousand deaf mutes in Germany who had mostly to work for their bread. It was to be regretted that many employers refused to take them into their service. Technical schools on the pattern of those existing in the United States, where also gradimar schools and even universities existed at which deaf-mute teachers were employed, should be introduced into Germany. Another "speaker" pleaded for the education of deaf-mate traveling preachers, so that their fellows might enjoy the benefits of divine service in their language. The most important subject discussed was as to whether the new method of lip reading or the old language of gesture was to

he thought, should be taught. THE "COINCIDENT FRANKLINS." A Virginia Family and its Fateful Four-

be preferred. One speaker pointed out

to attempt to converse altogether by

reading the lips would not do, on ac-

count of the great fatigue and exertion

caused by incelsantly watching the

mouth of the speaker, which had an

almost hypnotic effect. Both methods,

On Glade Mountain, West Virginia, resides the "coincident Franklins," says an exchange, a family which is, in one respect at least, without a parallel in the whole country. In short, the Franklins are a family in which coincidence rules. The father and mother were married on the 18th day of October. They have had nine children, all of whom were born on the 14th day of October. Five of the nine are dead and, strange to say, every one breathed his or her last breath on the 18th day of October. The name of the head of this remarkable family is Joshua Franklin. He was a rebel soldier and was captured twice and had two brothers killed in the "war between the states," all four of these mishaps and misfortunes of war having occurred on that ever memorable day the seth of October. In the neighborhood where the Franklin family live, and in fact, for miles outside of their immediate latitude they are looked upon by the natives with superstitions awe. It is seen said that not a single terman being who knows of the collectent mystery surrounding the family can be prevalled upon to stay in the house or around the premises on either the day or the night

A Procky Archifortuna

There was once a Maria Theresa, of

Austria, who was bold enough to beard the great Frederick, of Prassia, and the present Austrian archduchess of the came natur seems to be an almost equally compagnous woman: A Loudon ourns) relates that while she was staying with her two little garls at her country residence near the foot of the Semmeeting recently a free broke out in the unighborhood one night. The archinches hartily called up a local fire brigade, composed chiefly of her own servants and at 2 s. m. drove behind the fire engines to a pony carriage to the scene of action. Here she assumed command, and the husbane on at the cop-Segration to form a claim and bring teater from the river and the equipment work. She was soon wet through, but triled on, nething discated preventing the ignorant villagers from horsting open a cellar which contained a stora of Il and becomess, and, though she was fully aware of the danger of an explasion, remained on the spot until the fire